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[ABSTRACT]

TITLE

IMPROVED INK JET RECORDING MEDIUM

An ink jet recording element is disclosed which is improved for the occurrence of cracks in its ink-receiving layer. The recording medium comprises a layer with a high amount of pigment and a top layer containing a water-soluble polymer. Both layers are coated simultaneously wet on wet.